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Re: SN 09/396,985 "LPS-Response Gene Compositions and Methods"
- Bruce A. Beutler and Alexander Poltorak
Our Ref. UTSD:602 / Client Ref. UTSMD/DAL:602

Commissioner:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application is:

- (1) I. Amendment and II. Response to the Final Office Action Mailed December 18, 2002; and
- (2) A return postcard to acknowledge receipt of these materials. Please date stamp and mail this postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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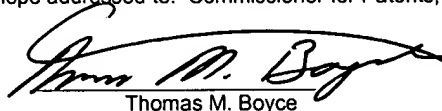
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I. AMENDMENT AND II. RESPONSE

TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 18, 2002

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit an Amendment and Response to the Final Official Action mailed December 18, 2002 (the "Action"). A response to the Action is due on February 18, 2002. Should any fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/UTSD:602. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.